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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Under the provisions of G.L. c. 30A, the Board of Elevator Regulations ("the Board") will hold a public hearing for the purposes of gathering comments, ideas, and information concerning the amendments of the following regulations:

524 CMR 1 through 38, Board of Elevator Regulations

CHAPTER 1.00: SCOPE AND ADMINISTRATION

CHAPTER 2.00: RESERVED

CHAPTER 3.00: RESERVED

CHAPTER 4.00: ACCIDENT AND INJURY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

CHAPTER 5.00: ELEVATOR CONTRACTORS

CHAPTER 6.00: RESERVED

CHAPTER 7.00: RESERVED

CHAPTER 8.00: PRACTICAL TESTS AND INSPECTIONS

CHAPTER 9.00: OPERATION OF NON-AUTOMATIC ELEVATORS

CHAPTER 10.00: REQUIREMENTS FOR PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS OF
EXISTING ELEVATORS UNDERGOING ALTERATIONS, REPAIRS AND
REPLACEMENT

CHAPTER 11.00: ELEVATORS PLACED OUT OF SERVICE OR DECOMMISSIONED

CHAPTER 12.00: RESERVED

CHAPTER 13.00: RESERVED

CHAPTER 14.00: RESERVED

CHAPTER 15.00: RESERVED

CHAPTER 16.00: RESERVED

CHAPTER 17.00: RESERVED

CHAPTER 18.00: RESERVED

CHAPTER 19.00: RESERVED

CHAPTER 20.00: RESERVED

CHAPTER 21.00: RESERVED

CHAPTER 22.00: RESERVED

CHAPTER 23.00: RESERVED

CHAPTER 24.00: RESERVED

CHAPTER 25.00: RESERVED

CHAPTER 26.00: CERTAIN ELEVATOR EQUIPMENT USED AS
AUTOMOBILE PARKING DEVICES
CHAPTER 27.00: RESERVED
CHAPTER 28.00: RESERVED
CHAPTER 29.00: STAGE, ORCHESTRA, AND ORGAN CONSOLE
ELEVATORS
CHAPTER 30.00: RESERVED
CHAPTER 31.00: CASKET LIFTS INSTALLED IN LICENSED FUNERAL
HOMES, MEMORIAL CHAPELS, OR PREPARATION ROOMS
CHAPTER 32.00: VERTICAL RECIPROCATING CONVEYORS
CHAPTER 33.00: RESERVED
CHAPTER 34.00: RESERVED
CHAPTER 35.00: SAFETY CODE FOR ELEVATORS AND ESCALATORS
A17.1-2013 AND THE MASSACHUSETTS MODIFICATIONS TO THAT
CODE
CHAPTER 36.00: PERSONNEL HOISTS AND EMPLOYEE ELEVATORS ON
CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION SITES
CHAPTER 37.00: SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR MATERIAL HOISTS
CHAPTER 38.00: SAFETY STANDARDS FOR PLATFORM LIFTS AND
STAIRWAY CHAIRLIFTS

The proposed changes to the regulations extensively update and improve the elevator code on many fronts. The most significant revisions and improvements are: the adoption of the most recently available national model codes, most significantly ASME A17.1-2013; the addition of chapters 36, 37, and 38 that incorporate national model standards and allow for installation of code-compliant construction hoists, vertical reciprocating conveyors, and wheelchair lifts; the fundamental reorganization of the code chapters to improve readability, user friendliness, and consistency and to bring the structure in line with widely accepted expectations for organization; and the removal of chapter 17 setting Massachusetts standards for existing regulated equipment and replacement of those substantive rules with uniform, modern design, installation, and alteration specifications.

Scheduled Hearing Date: August 22, 2016, at 11 AM

Location: Ashburton Café, One Ashburton Place, Boston, Massachusetts, 02108

Anyone who desires to be heard on the matter should appear at the designated time and place. A written public comment period will follow and such comments should be submitted to The Department of Public Safety, One Ashburton Place, Room 1301, Boston, MA 02108, attention Stephen Carley. Comments will be accepted until 4:30 PM on September 6, 2016.